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Dorothy Dix Talks

THE WICKEDEST WOMAN IN THE WORLD.

By DOROTHY DIX, The World's Highest Paid Woman Writer

Who are the wickedest women in the world, the women who do the most harm, and who are the most absolutely callous to the misery and suffering they bring on others?

That's easy to answer, you say. The wickedest women in the world are the vipers, the degraded women of the slums, the women who are thieves, the women whose hands are red with blood.

Not at all. These poor creatures that you have mentioned, at their worst, hurt only a few people. Life dealt hardly with most of them and they had little chance to be other than what they are, and neither God nor society can hold them to much accountability.

The wickedest women in the world are the sweet, gentle, pious, respectable, church-going mothers who are deliberately raising up children to wreck the lives of the innocent and unoffending people they marry, to bring grief and sorrow into the homes they enter and to add another sorrow to the hearts of their husbands or parents.

In all the calendar of crime there is no other act so brutally cruel. It is far worse than theft because to be robbed of one's money is nothing in comparison with being robbed of one's peace and happiness. It is far worse than murder because it takes only a second to slay one physically, while one who is miserably married is slowly tortured to death through long years. It is a crueler and a subtler form of parasitism than any vampire ever devised, because it sucks courage and enthusiasm and the ability to succeed out of a man or woman, and there is no way to free oneself from it save through scandal.

Every woman in the world knows that not only does marriage make or mar the life of the individual but that it affects all those who are nearest and dearest to him or her. When a beloved daughter marries a man who is cruel and brutal to her and who makes her life a purgatory, not only does the girl suffer but her parents' hearts are wrung with hers. When a dear and splendid son gets as a wife a virago who makes his days a burden to him, he does not grieve alone. His mother and father, his sisters and brothers, softly and silently tread his Gethsemane with him.

An unhappy marriage is like a pebble thrown into a sea of trouble. Its waves spread on and on until they touch every edge of the family circle. Once upon a time a woman said to me of her sister and her sister's children: "God sent Louise angels but she is doing the best she can to turn them into devils."

And Louise was eminently successful. The two children were unusually handsome and intelligent and of a most winning charm. They should have made a splendid man and woman, but their mother spoiled and pampered them. She indulged them in their every wish and desire, she never taught them any self control or any consideration for the rights of any other human being on earth.

The boy grew up to be a good looking, fascinating, gay young chap, with plenty of ability to do anything had it ever been turned in any definite direction. He married a splendid young girl who tried to make him a good wife, but he broke her heart by cruelty, neglect and abuse. If she dared to cross him he would curse her in shameful language. He was lazy and selfish to work and he drifted down and down until he became the town loafer and drunkard.

In trying to save their daughter from want the girl's parents impoverished themselves so that their old age was hard and anxious, instead of being comfortable and easy, and they too were the victims of this wicked woman who raised up her son to be a curse to those who were nearest to him.

The wicked mother's daughter grew up into a beautiful and attractive girl and she married as fine a young fellow as was in the community. The girl had been raised to the belief that she was the one who must always have her heart's desire, no matter how she attained it, and as she was gay and liked to go about, and as she was pretty and liked to adorn herself, she embarked upon a career of extravagance that soon swept away all of her husband's fortune and brought him to bankruptcy.

Faced by bills that he could not pay, hounded and harassed by debts of his wife's making, he ended it all by putting a bullet through his brains—a murder for which his wife's mother was just as much responsible as if she had first tortured him and then slain him.

He did not take the pretty young widow long to marry again. This time she married a gifted young man who was full of ambition and who had already begun to climb the ladder of success. He will never get any higher than he is because she has made a pack house out of his Pegasus. He's got to do the drudgery that comes nearest to his hand because she's got to have money. He has got to wear himself out trotting around with her to places of amusement. If he doesn't she rages at him like a fish wife. She shrieks and has hysterics like a lunatic when she is crossed, and she makes bill and bills and bills that must be paid, and she never in any way ever considers him or his ambition, or even his physical comfort.

The young man's heart and spirit are broken and his parents, who had centered their hopes on him, who had sacrificed to give him the education and training to fit him for his career are broken hearted, too, for their life work and their ambitions are also blasted by the work of the wicked woman who raised up a daughter to blight the happiness of all those who come within her sphere of influence.

and wish that she had died so that her bridal veil might have been her shroud.

One wonders how any woman who has even a shred of conscience or heart in her can face the knowledge that she is raising up a girl who is going to turn the life of a good man into utter desolation and blight his hopes and ambitions.

Yet this is what every mother is doing who is bringing up her children to be selfish, extravagant, high tempered and without self control, and that is why the wickedest women in the world are the mothers who are rearing such husbands and wives who turn matrimony from the heaven that it should be into the hell that is only too often is.

Surely, it is the crime of crimes that these wicked women must answer for at the judgment bar.

BREAKFAST IS READY

"Breakfast is ready!" Does that find you snuggled in bed, or hands in pockets, on the alert, waiting—smelling those delicious corn cakes and ready to start a food riot to get one of them? And the best of it is, you're helping our cause against the Kaiser by eating them.

Breakfast I.
Oranges
Corn Cakes
Maple Syrup
Coffee
Breakfast II.
Baked Apples
Cornmeal Griddle Cakes
Boiled Liver
Coffee
Breakfast III.
Oatmeal with Dates
Golden Corn Cakes
Corn Syrup

Recipe for Corn Cakes. Cornmeal Griddle Cakes or Golden Corn Cakes
1 cup corn meal
1 cup boiling milk
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 tablespoon drippings
1 tablespoon molasses
1 teaspoon baking powder
2 eggs
Put corn meal in bowl, cover with boiling milk. Add the salt and molasses, and when cold the baking powder and eggs which have been beaten until light. Mix all well together and bake on a hot griddle.

BOYS COMING HOME
FROM CAMP KEARNY

The wedding out process, selecting those not absolutely up to standard physically, at Camp Kearny came in for another round yesterday and several men were given certificates of honorable discharge because of physical disability. The certificates were engraved and elaborate. Private Clarence Y. McCall, only member of B battery to be discharged. All of the boys expressed great regret over the action, after serving with the battery for so many months.

A wind storm swept across the camp yesterday morning, starting late in the night, and leveled every tent and loose building on the ground. The artillerymen got out of their shelters with the first puff of the 60-mile gale and held down tents, equipment and clothes. Fine red dust covered them like snow and sifted into the bedclothes, the windows and in fact everywhere. Heavier guy ropes were issued after the storm had subsided and several hours were spent in brushing the camp out of the dust.

THERE WAS A DAY
NOT LONG AGO

When Few Women Used Face Powders, Creams or Cosmetics

Now, almost every woman uses them, and without concealment. It is conceded that she has the right to retain her youthful look as long as she can. For this reason, many women of unquestioned refinement now use Q-ban Hair Color Restorer to retain the youthful beauty of the hair. If your hair is gray, streaked with gray or faded, you, too, can bring back all its natural color with this simple, harmless preparation.

Q-ban is not a dye. You can prove this by trying it on your combings. Dyes will color them but Q-ban leaves them unchanged. It is a wonderful and delightful toilet requisite which keeps the hair glossy and youthful. Does not stain the scalp, or wash or rub off, and does not interfere with washing or waving the hair. Removes dandruff and keeps the scalp healthy. Easily applied.

Sold by all good druggists everywhere on Money-Back Guarantee. Price 75c.—Advertisement.

FALSE REPORTS ARE
BEING CIRCULATED

An appeal has been issued to loyal Americans to help in the campaign against pro-German propaganda—a propaganda that is tending to create confusion and prevent fullest possible co-operation in civilization's war upon the Hohenzollerns.

The plan is to urge every person to note the name and circumstances of any person offering disloyal criticisms

and calumnious accusations against the American government. It is asked that the name and the circumstances be forwarded to the nearest bureau of the department of justice or to the state headquarters of the Council of National Defense.

It is expected that government operatives or officials connected with the Council of National Defense will run down the charges and ascertain the sources which inspired the remarks or criticisms. The campaign is started because of the energy and surprising compact organization of the pro-Germans or the peace-at-any-price. Their work, it is declared is merely postponing the victory over the Teuton autocrats and the more quickly they are exterminated the more quickly the Kaiser and his savage hordes will realize that their rule is doomed.

Here are only a few of the myriad stories which these pro-German propagandists are circulating:

That swaters knit by patriotic women for the Red Cross have been found on sale in department stores.

That soldiers in uniform must buy their own food or starve to death.

That the government proposes to confiscate all moneys deposited in banks for war use.

That because of alleged Irish disloyalty the present has ordered all Catholics removed from office.

That drafted men are dying by hundreds because they have not been furnished blankets. (Every soldier has three double blankets.)

That Secretary Tumulty has been executed because he was a German spy.

That the death rate of allied troops on the western front is 50 per cent. (Less than three men of every 100 die in the trenches.)

That troop transports have been submerged on their way to France and the government has suppressed the drowning of thousands of soldiers.

FAT REDUCTION
IS NOT SINFUL

The purpose of Beauty is to refine the native untruthfulness of human nature. We all know it. It is the only autocracy that has no nihilist shadow. Alas! this means the fat woman must serve instead of rule, for beauty in woman is a composite of both line and feature.

Thousands of fat women are beautiful of face. But they lag behind in the race for preference—because a too ponderous outline dashes the favor their face has gained them.

Now, pretty fat women can reduce that fat (not the good pure-lined flesh) in a very simple way. No exercise—no dieting is necessary. Let them take one Marmola Prescription Tablet after each meal and at bedtime for a month. The fat will simply fade. No wrinkles or pouches of skin will form, but the loss will be uniform. The fat will go as stealthily as it came; fade away.

The health will improve; the eye grow more brilliant; the wit sprightly. Marmola Tablets are a boon—and harmless (being made from the famous fashionable prescription: 1/2 oz. Marmola, 3/4 oz. Fl. Ex. Cascara Aromatic, 4 1/2 oz. Peppermint Water), and are likewise cheap. A large case of the Marmola Co., 564 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, Mich., costing only 75 cents.—Advertisement.

SENATOR BRADY OF
IDAHO IS ILL

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Senator James H. Brady of Idaho is critically ill at his home in Washington, suffering from another heart attack. The senator was stricken on the train shortly after leaving Chicago on his way to Washington last Saturday, and since his return has been in a serious condition. Nothing was known of his illness until this morning, when grave fears for his recovery were entertained. Senator Brady's absence from the senate this week had been explained on the ground that he was resting after his trip east from Pocatello.

Tonight the senator's physician stated that he has shown some slight improvement, though he is by no means out of danger. His heart is in poor condition and much depends upon his reserve energy. Two years ago Senator Brady had a heart attack very similar to the present and for several days his life hung in the balance.

If he recovers, his doctor says, he will have to exercise extreme care for many months and will not be able to resume his place in the senate for some time.

TESTING THE CITY'S
LIQUOR ORDINANCES

To test the validity of the city ordinance passed September 24, 1917, petition for a writ of habeas corpus for Juan Zamata, a Mexican serving a six months term in the county jail for violation of the liquor ordinance, was granted yesterday by Judge Agate of the district court. Attorneys Sam Powell and J. M. Kimball represent Zamata and they claim the ordinance under which he was convicted and sentenced to jail does not contain proper authority. Zamata was sentenced to jail on December 22.

The hearing on the writ of habeas corpus is to be held January 11. The attorneys claim the ordinance was passed by the board of city commissioners without due or legal authority and that, therefore, the authority which Chief Thomas Browning holds Zamata in jail is not valid.

LAST STRAW.

Walter—Cup of tea, penicillin of ginger, nuts, a small lemon, a stone ginger, a mullion beer and one 'am sandwich. Wot the bloomin' business is a-comin' to I don't know!—Passing Show.

A BOY'S IDEA.

Recruiting officer—But what would a boy like you do in the army? Lad—Don't you need a caddy to carry the swords and things?



MRS. ALBERT L. MILLS

Warm knitted garments and other comforts for every Sammy leaving for France is what the Army Service League, headed by Mrs. Mills, aims to provide. Mrs. Mills is the wife of Major General Mills.

Says Phosphate Doubles
Strength and Health.

Numerous notices have appeared in the press from time to time telling of the remarkable benefits to be derived from the regular use of a digestible organic phosphate known among druggists as bitro-phosphate. Investigation shows that bitro-phosphate which is obtainable of any good druggist, enjoys its great popularity because of its peculiarly valuable property of quickly restoring the strength and vitality of the depleted nervous system. Neurasthenia, nervousness, sleeplessness and physical and mental weakness are almost invariably due to starved nervous system. This condition can only be corrected by supplying to the nerve centers the necessary phosphoric food elements, the lack of which has caused all the trouble. For this purpose specialists highly recommend taking with each meal a tasteless 5-grain tablet of the organic phosphate now so generally known as bitro-phosphate, which, while being inexpensive, is undoubtedly the most remarkable nerve food and restorative of health and strength known to medical science. Bitro-phosphate is sold in this city by Culler Drug Co., McIntyre Drug Co., Sullivan Drug Co., and all good druggists.—Advertisement.

AMERICAN VIEW
OF BRITISH DRINK

LONDON, Jan. 11.—Preaching in the city temple yesterday the Rev. Dr. Joseph Fort Newson, the pastor, who was formerly from Iowa, made reference to his recent sermon in which he dealt with the question of drinking among American soldiers and sailors. He said he wanted the British to understand the American point of view. Americans, he added, hold that if the government has a right to conscript a man on behalf of the great cause, it has the right to conscript his conduct and keep him fit to do that work.

"In America," he continued, "it is a criminal offense to sell liquor to men in uniform. On this side, of course you cannot enforce this regulation. I made the request that you shall help us to do so. Most of the men are able to resist temptation but we must not set traps to catch the loose feet of those who are fighting with a weak will."

"When the fact was published that increases in the amount of grain were being allowed brewers, it filled Americans with amazement. Of course, there has been a great improvement in the matter of drinking. It is 40 per cent better than two years ago. While rejoicing over the improvement, it is a great pity to take a step backward by allowing an increased output by the breweries."

APPOINTEES NAMED
AT MT. PLEASANT

MT. PLEASANT, Jan. 10.—At a recent meeting of the city council, the following were selected as heads of the several municipal departments for the term of two years, beginning January 1, 1918:

City attorney, J. W. Cherry; justice of the peace, Thomas West; city marshal and fire chief, A. H. Fenderson; city watermaster, E. C. Preston; city sexton, S. W. Johnson; city road supervisor, Andrew Norman; city pound keeper, Henry Erickson; city superintendent of waterworks, Vance McIntosh.

E. W. Wall was appointed on the library board, to fill the unexpired term of H. LeRoy Neilson.

Co-operative companies are in process of formation at Taylor, Texas.

HEAD STUFFED FROM
CATARRH OR A COLD

Says Cream Applied in Nostrils Opens Air Passages Right Up.

It is a well known fact, my friends, that your clogged nostrils open right up; the air passages of your head clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffling, blowing, headache, dizziness. No struggling for breath at night; your cold or catarrh disappears.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic, healing cream to your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relief comes instantly.

It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed-up with a cold or nasty catarrh.—Advertisement.

ALTERATION SALE

Remodeling of our salesfloor causes us to offer our entire stock of merchandise to the buying public at substantial savings. All our ready-to-wear stock of Dresses, Skirts, Coats and Suits at "Rock Bottom" Prices,—a chance to save on seasonable merchandise.

Re-arrangement for the convenience of our patrons and the installation of new lines of merchandise to meet increasing demand are the causes.

Buy now and save ONE-THIRD and more from the ORIGINAL price on your purchase of ready-to-wears—NOT marked UP to be marked DOWN.

Alteration Sale
of Coats for
Women

Fur trimmed, plush trimmed, and plain; all shades—entire stock divided into four groups, including broadcloth, fine velours, mixtures, wool velours.

COATS UP TO \$20.00—the styles of the hour—splendid variety. Alteration price . . . \$11.75

COATS UP TO \$27.50—The season's best styles. Alteration price . . . \$15.75

COATS UP TO \$32.50—Each garment of striking smartness. Alteration price . . . \$18.75

COATS UP TO \$37.50—An extra fashionable assortment. Alteration price . . . \$24.75

ALL PLUSH COATS at very liberal reductions—in rich, luxurious quality plushes—elegant newest styles.

Great Alteration Sale of Women's Silk Waists

Up to \$5.00 values. Exquisite waists of crepe de chine, georgette crepe and striped taffeta—soft, beautiful, dainty—in all colors—150 Waists in this remarkable under-priced lot all reduced to—

\$2.95

One lot women's white voile waists, formerly \$2.45 and \$2.75 values . . . \$1.69

One lot women's voile waists—formerly priced at \$1.00 . . . 69c

All other waists reduced One-third

Alteration Sale of Bathrobes

of comparative \$3.50 values in

Bathrobes

\$2.39

Very exceptional special value—all higher cost Bathrobes at radical reductions.

ONE LOT

Childs' Gingham Dresses, in sizes 2, 4, 6 only—neat—most patterns . . . 45c

ONE LOT

Misses' Gingham Dresses, sizes 10, 12, 14. Good styles . . . 75c

ONE LOT

Girls' Middies, sizes 10, 12, 14. Special Alteration price . . . 50c

Remember your one hot weather needs.

Alteration Sale of Children's Coats, Sweaters, Dresses

Tremendous as the savings are in this sale there is an added satisfaction in knowing that the quality and styles are up to a standard that makes the values most amazing.

Just the thing for this winter. Formerly priced at \$2.25.

\$1.25

Coats up to \$4.50 in corduroys, velvets, sizes 2 to 6, alteration sale . . . \$2.95

Coats up to \$8.00 in mixtures, corduroys, velvets. Alteration sale . . . \$4.95

SCARF AND CAP SETS

Alteration Sale of Misses' Coats

Coats up to \$12.45 in velours, plush, velvet—Alteration price . . . \$7.45

Alteration Sale of Women's Kimonos and House Dresses

Splendid Outing Flannel Kimonos, formerly \$1.25 value . . . 85c

Exceptional values in fleece-lined, but formerly \$1.50 value—Alteration Sale . . . 95c

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A splendid assortment of
newest styles in
Dresses

Comprising the season's smartest creations in serges, silks, satins, taffetas, georgettes and combination; offered in our Alteration Sale in three lots—alterations extra.

DRESSES that would regularly sell up to \$22.50 . . . \$14.75

DRESSES that would sell regularly up to \$33.00 . . . \$18.75

DRESSES that would regularly sell up to \$37.50 . . . \$22.75

FURS

all Reduced 1/3

Including seats and scarfs, muffs, capes and children's sets.

Great Alteration Sale of Tailored Skirts

Alterations extra. Skirts up to \$6.50—popular jerseys; black and striped messalines . . . \$4.95

Skirts up to \$8.50 for . . . \$5.95

Skirts up to \$11.00—serges, poplins and striped silks . . . \$7.95

ALTERATION PETTICOAT SPECIAL

\$4.00 Silk Petticoats—Alteration sale price . . . \$2.95

This is a real chance to save—better buy two of these—remember you wear them 365 days each year.

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